



# Missio

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## The Fruits of Mission, Across Decades and Continents

*Over 40 years ago, a Catholic mission in Ethiopia helped save the life a young man named Omer Mohammed. Their generosity planted the seeds for a gift now helping refugees on the other side of the world, many years later.*  
By Matthew Clarke

Struggling to breathe from an acute asthma attack, a young man named Omer Mohammed sought help from one of the only places to get medical care near where he lived in Senafe, Ethiopia: A Catholic mission.

Omer never forgot the kindness of Sister Lydia and the Catholic missionaries who helped save his life and who devoted themselves to caring for all people, of all faiths, who needed help.

Later, Omer helped the sisters get land and the required permissions to get buildings built to continue their aid work and outreach to the local people.

When civil war broke out in the late 1980s, a war which subsequently saw the creation of a new country, Eritrea, Omer was forced to flee the violence as a refugee and went to Europe. Landing in Italy, Catholic charities were again there to help him and many others, showing the same compassion shown by the sisters near his hometown:

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## Bishop Fabbro's 2021 Christmas Message

### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We welcome with great joy the Christmas season. Despite the challenges of today, including the COVID-19 pandemic, we the faithful of our diocese will join in celebrating the birth of our Saviour and his message of God's boundless love for all people. The beautiful liturgies on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day fill us with awe and reverence as we listen once again to the gospel stories of Jesus' birth in very humble circumstances. (continued on page 4)

### Chers frères et sœurs dans le Christ,

Nous accueillons avec une grande joie la période de Noël. Malgré les défis d'aujourd'hui, y compris la pandémie de COVID-19, nous, les fidèles de notre diocèse, nous rejoindrons pour célébrer la naissance de notre Sauveur et Son message de l'amour infini de Dieu pour tous les peuples. Les belles liturgies de la veille de Noël et du jour de Noël nous remplissent de crainte et de respect alors que nous écoutons à nouveau les récits évangéliques de la naissance de Jésus dans des circonstances très humbles.

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## Editor's Note - Welcome to the New *Missio*

Since 1980, the Diocese of London has published a newspaper that was shared in our parishes, offices and with parents through our school board partners. We published 176 issues for over 40 years and the circulation grew to over 27,000 per issue in 2019.

For most of its life, it was simply called the *Newspaper of the Diocese of London* and it was an 8 to 12 page tabloid-style newspaper, published quarterly. It was not intended to be a vehicle for the latest news even in those pre-internet days. Until 2017, each issue was themed and it was intended to have a long shelf life so the faithful could take their time to enjoy the in-depth stories.

In 2017 the name was changed to *Missio*, and as the editor at the time noted, "*Missio*, from the Latin meaning 'mission' refers to the task that we are given at Baptism, to be living signs of Christ's presence in the world today." A decision was made not to theme each issue as Bishop Fabbro noted in his Message, "Going forward, however, our newspaper will take a broader approach. Each issue will report on the abundant activity within our diocese, as well as items of interest for Catholic readers." Publication had to be suspended in the spring of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to take the time to find a new strategy.

We will keep that approach with this new newsletter format, as the Diocese always has much good news to share. We are intended to be disciples of Jesus to go out as missionary disciples and share the Good News. The content of this newsletter will support all readers in that work and our other tasks as a Church. We are always open to new ideas and suggestions, and you can find contact and subscription information in the masthead on the right side of this page.

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## The Fruits of Mission, Across Decades and Continents

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“They knew it was Ramadan and that most of the refugees in our camp were Muslims, so they thoughtfully prepared our meals in accordance with our traditions and made them available after sunset,” Omer explained by phone from his home northwest of Toronto.

After qualifying for refugee resettlement in Canada, Omer settled into a new life and has prospered as an importer and distributor of foodstuffs and other products from Ethiopia and Eritrea.

His background and education has given him a gift many of us strive for and never reach: fluency in multiple languages including, Saho, Afari, Arabic, Tigrigna and Amharic. Such skills and a generous spirit brought him to the attention of a local United church who needed assistance with refugees from his homeland in Africa who spoke no English. He was more than willing to donate his time as a translator and help them get settled in Canada.

Eventually he was tracked down by Gilbert Iyamuremye, Director of the Diocese of London’s Refugee Ministry. In 2017 and 2019 Gilbert needed help with new refugees in the Strathroy area who spoke no English. In addition to greeting them at the airport to help them feel welcome, they also needed

help navigating the many day-to-day tasks we take for granted, like banking and buying groceries. Omer was happy to help, even refusing to be reimbursed for mileage, feeling it was a chance to show his gratitude and pay back the Church for its help in the past.

Fast-forward to 2020 and the Refugee Ministry found itself in need of assistance. An organization that had been a long-time supporter of the indispensable work our Ministry does had to end their donations after a change in leadership caused a strategic review. Needing funds for refugee sponsorships and resettlements, Gilbert reached out to his network for help.

In addition to many other donors who have helped Gilbert raise over \$12,000, Omer, remembering the generosity of the Catholic charities that had been there for him many times in the past, and knowing what it was like to have to make a new home in a new country, sent a cheque to Gilbert for \$5,000.

The Diocese is thankful for, and humbled by, Omer’s generous support. This story has been many years in the making, but is a remarkable example of how the centuries old charitable mission of the Catholic church continues to be an example of how good news and good works can change lives across faiths, continents and time.



A picture from many years ago, Omer with Sister Lydia who helped him when he was a young man in Ethiopia

## The Synod in the Diocese of London

Beginning next year we will undertake a series of listening session across the Diocese and all the faithful are invited to engage in dialogue, pray, and listen to each another as we consider the Synod’s theme, Being a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission. The Church cares about what you think and Pope Francis’ hope is that the Synod will bring about a whole new way of being Church. The Church, he says, does not stand aloof from life, but immerses herself in the real lives of people and the issues of the day,

bandaging the wounded and healing those with broken hearts.

For the Synod we will come together in our parishes, reach out to young people, Catholics not coming to church regularly and listen prayerfully to God speaking through one another. We have named our local consultation process “Together on the Road: Conversations for a Listening Church in the Diocese of London”. Watch for more information and updates at [www.dol.ca/synod-2021-2023](http://www.dol.ca/synod-2021-2023)





## Bishop Fabbro's 2021 Christmas Message

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Together, we remember that God came to walk among us as a humble man. United in our faith and with a sense of humility and confidence that, in Jesus, any obstacle can be overcome, we pledge to support and walk with each other.

The journey in faith is a common theme in the gospel passages that we read during Advent and Christmas. Mary and Joseph journey to Bethlehem to be registered (Lk 2:1). Having heard the Angel's surprising announcement, the shepherds journey with haste to the city of David and see the child lying in a manger (Lk 2:8). Mary and Joseph journey to Egypt to escape King Herod's decree (Mt 2:13).

This coming year will be one of several important journeys for our Church.

The recent discovery of unmarked graves at former residential schools was deeply shocking. These latest revelations brought to light the shared responsibility of our Church for the harm caused by the residential schools and their disastrous consequences for Indigenous people. With them, and listening to their stories, we will continue to journey on the path of healing and reconciliation as the Indigenous people of this land struggle to find healing of decades' old wounds and to break the cycle of trauma passed down through generations.

This journey began in earnest when Indigenous people, along with Canada's bishops and other Catholics, gathered in Listening Circles after the release of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's final report. These sessions opened dialogue with the survivors and led to the development of a plan for a delegation of Indigenous people to meet with Pope Francis in Rome. This meeting has been postponed because of the pandemic but the intention is that it will happen as soon as possible in 2022. The delegation of survivors, elders and knowledge keepers will be able to speak directly with the pope of their suffering and of how important it will be for them that he come to



Canada to issue an apology. As hope was born anew with Jesus' birth in Bethlehem, I ask you to pray that this meeting with Pope Francis create a path to healing and reconciliation.

Another journey we will take in 2022 is the Synod. The word 'synod' comes from the Greek words that mean 'walking together'. This Synod will be different from those in the past. Pope Francis has declared that he wants to engage lay people – those in the pew, young and old, and those not coming to our churches. In January, our diocese will provide information about how

you can participate in the Synod. There will be opportunities for you to offer your thoughts and to share your stories and your dreams for our Church. Prayerfully guided by the Holy Spirit, we will listen to each other and join with Catholics worldwide to discern how we will journey together as God's pilgrim Church on earth.

We started this year with our churches closed because of the pandemic. I am very grateful they have remained open for the last six months, even at reduced capacity. As hard as they were, the lockdowns made us appreciate all the more being able to gather in our churches to worship God, celebrate the Eucharist and other sacraments and hear the gospel proclaimed. In the coming year, with God's protection and through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mother, may our world at last journey out of the COVID-19 pandemic and return to a more normal life.

This Christmas, Bishop Dabrowski and I will remember you and your family in a special way in our prayers. The gospel tells us that there were shepherds in the fields keeping watch over their flock by night, when the Angel of the Lord and the heavenly host appeared bringing "good news of great joy for all the people" (Lk 2:8-11). May the glory of the Lord shine on you as it did on the shepherds. We wish you peace, joy and good health in the New Year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB  
Bishop of London



## Noël 2021 - Message de Mgr Fabbro

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Ensemble, nous nous souvenons que Dieu est venu marcher parmi nous en homme humble. Unis dans notre foi et avec un sens d'humilité et de confiance que, en Jésus, tout obstacle peut être surmonté, nous nous engageons à nous soutenir et à marcher les uns avec les autres.

Le cheminement dans la foi est un thème commun dans les passages évangéliques que nous lisons pendant l'Avent et à Noël. Marie et Joseph se rendent à Bethléem pour se faire enregistrer (Lc 2:1). Ayant entendu l'annonce surprenante de l'Ange, les bergers se rendent en hâte vers la ville de David et voient l'enfant couché dans une mangeoire (Lc 2:8). Marie et Joseph se rendent en Égypte pour échapper au décret du roi Hérode (Mt 2:13).

Cette année à venir sera l'un des nombreux voyages importants pour notre Église.

La découverte récente de tombes anonymes dans les anciens pensionnats a été profondément choquante. Ces dernières révélations ont mis en évidence la responsabilité partagée de notre Église pour les dommages causés par les pensionnats et leurs conséquences désastreuses pour les peuples autochtones. Avec eux et en écoutant leurs histoires, nous continuerons de cheminer sur la voie de la guérison et de la réconciliation alors que les peuples autochtones de cette terre luttent pour trouver la guérison de blessures, vieilles de plusieurs décennies et pour briser le cycle des traumatismes transmis de génération en génération.

Ce voyage a vraiment commencé lorsque les peuples autochtones, ainsi que les évêques du Canada et d'autres catholiques, se sont réunis en cercles d'écoute après la publication du rapport final de la Commission de vérité et de réconciliation. Ces sessions ont ouvert un dialogue avec les survivants et ont conduit à l'élaboration d'un plan pour qu'une délégation d'Autochtones rencontre le pape François à Rome. Cette réunion a été reportée en raison de la pandémie mais l'intention est qu'elle ait lieu le plus tôt possible en 2022. La délégation de survivants, d'anciens et de gardiens du savoir pourra parler directement avec le pape de leurs souffrances et de l'importance pour eux qu'il vienne au Canada pour présenter des excuses.



Alors que l'espérance renaît avec la naissance de Jésus à Bethléem, je vous demande de prier pour que cette rencontre avec le Pape François ouvre un chemin vers la guérison et la réconciliation.

Un autre voyage que nous entreprendrons en 2022 est le Synode. Le mot « synode » vient des mots grecs qui signifient « marcher ensemble ». Ce Synode sera différent de ceux du passé. Le pape François a déclaré qu'il voulait impliquer les laïcs - ceux qui se trouvent dans les bancs, jeunes et vieux, ainsi que ceux qui ne viennent pas dans nos églises. En janvier, notre diocèse fournira des informations sur la façon dont vous pourrez participer au Synode. Vous aurez l'occasion

de faire part de vos réflexions et de partager vos histoires et vos rêves pour notre Église. Guidés dans la prière par le Saint-Esprit, nous nous écouterons les uns les autres et nous nous joindrons aux catholiques du monde entier pour discerner comment nous cheminerons ensemble en tant qu'Église pèlerine de Dieu sur terre.

Nous avons commencé cette année avec nos églises fermées à cause de la pandémie. Je suis très reconnaissant qu'elles soient restées ouvertes au cours des six derniers mois, même à capacité réduite. Les confinements nous ont fait apprécier d'autant plus de pouvoir nous rassembler dans nos églises pour adorer Dieu, célébrer l'Eucharistie et d'autres sacrements et entendre l'évangile proclamé. Au cours de l'année à venir, avec la protection de Dieu et par l'intercession de la Bienheureuse Vierge Marie, que notre monde sorte enfin de la pandémie de COVID-19 et retrouve une vie plus normale.

Ce Noël, Mgr Dabrowski et moi nous souviendrons de vous et de votre famille d'une manière spéciale dans nos prières. L'évangile nous dit qu'il y avait des bergers dans les champs qui surveillaient leur troupeau la nuit, lorsque l'Ange du Seigneur et l'armée céleste sont apparus apportant « une bonne nouvelle de grande joie pour tout le peuple » (Lc 2:8). Que la gloire du Seigneur brille sur vous comme sur les bergers. Nous vous souhaitons paix, joie et bonne santé pour la nouvelle année.

Sincèrement le vôtre dans le Christ,  
Mgr Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB  
Évêque de London



# 2021 Annual Financial Report

## Executive Summary

This is a summary of the 2021 Annual Financial Report covering 2019 and 2020. The full Financial Report is available at [www.dol.ca/financial-reports](http://www.dol.ca/financial-reports).

The pandemic has been a very challenging time for our parishes, with lockdowns, capacity limits and ever changing situations and rules. Prior to the pandemic, we had two or three parishes providing Mass by livestream and now we have 42.

Parish collections and donations decreased 19% in 2020. Thankfully, the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy provided some much needed financial support. Capital donations decreased 43% in 2020. Our parishes did an excellent job of controlling expenses and reducing capital (building) spending during the pandemic. On an overall basis, our parishes still earned a surplus.

Of our 115 parishes and communities, 37 incurred an operating deficit in 2019 and 36 in 2020. Parish by parish results are included in the annual financial report on the following pages and at the link above.

Our parishes received generous bequests from dearly departed Catholics of \$805 thousand in 2019 and \$1.1 million in 2020. The Diocesan Centre received \$181 thousand of bequests in 2020. The pension fund for our priests (St. John The Evangelist Pension Fund Society) received bequests of \$1.4 million in 2019 and \$8 thousand in 2020. Bequests are monies or property left in the Last Will and Testament of parishioners and priests.

### Diocese of London (Diocesan Centre)

Operating income decreased by 36% from 2019 to 2020. The Diocese was able to reduce operating expenses by 9% in 2020. The Diocesan Centre was able to earn an operating surplus in both 2019 and 2020, although the surplus was down significantly in 2020.

### Diocesan Cemeteries

In addition to our 67 parish cemeteries, there are cemeteries in Windsor-Essex, Sarnia and London managed directly by the Diocese. Diocesan managed cemeteries incurred a deficit in 2019, but were able to earn a surplus in 2020.

### Accountability & Responsibility

Each parish is required to have a finance committee to provide counsel to the pastor or administrator. Parishes must submit a financial report to the diocese annually. Parishes also are required to present a financial report to their parishioners at least annually. Every parish, cemetery and diocesan bank account requires two signatures on all bank documents, including cheques.

Our consolidated diocesan and parish financial statements and our diocesan managed cemeteries' financial statements are audited annually by KPMG.

The Diocese has an internal audit program. The internal audit review takes 2-3 days per parish or diocesan entity.

Each parish and the Diocese of London are registered charities and therefore must file a charity return (similar to a tax return) by June 30 each year. Most of the information on the return is made public on the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) website.

Please contact Dave Savel ([dsavel@dol.ca](mailto:dsavel@dol.ca)) at the Diocesan Centre if you are interested in serving on the Finance Committee, Audit Committee, Investment Committee or the Building and Loan Commission.

### Refugee Sponsorship

The Diocese of London Refugee office submitted applications in 2019 to sponsor 376 people seeking refuge in Canada. In 2020 they submitted 357 applications to sponsor new refugees.

Even during the COVID-19 crises they submitted up to their 2020 allocation of 300 refugees plus an extra of 57 refugees. However, 2020 arrivals were greatly reduced to roughly 50% of the previous years mostly due to the international travel ban from March 2020 to September 2020.

For different reasons, including the COVID-19 pandemic, not all sponsored refugees arrived. In 2019, 247 people arrived and in 2020, 111 people arrived.

## 2021 Annual Financial Report Financial Committees of the Diocese

### Finance Committee

Egidio Sovran (Chair) (Maidstone)  
Rev. John Comiskey (London)  
Ken Deane (London)  
David MacDonald (Windsor)  
Most Rev. Ronald Fabbro, CSB (London)  
Rev. John Pirt (Windsor)  
Kathryn Poole (Sarnia)  
Steve Stefanko (London)  
Marina Clemens (Windsor)  
Harry Van Bavel (London)  
David Sharp (London)

### Investment Committee

Dave Savel (Chair) (London)  
Steve Hunter (London)  
John Ianozzi (Point Edward)  
Terry McBride (London)  
John Mockler (London)  
Ben Legge (London)  
Charlie Bedard (London)





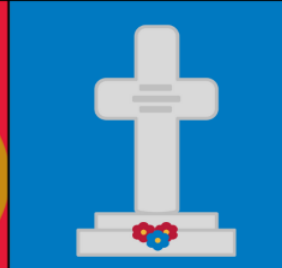
### Audit Committee

Noelle Nelson (Chair) (Sarnia)  
Greg Hogan (Sarnia)  
Dennis Staudt (Kingsville)  
Andrew Jones (Sarnia)  
Michael Lavoie (Essex)

### Building and Loan Commission

Dave Savel (Chair) (London)  
Rev. Michael Béchar (London)  
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Dennis Collins (St. Thomas)  
Rev. John Comiskey (London)  
Rev. Gary Goyeau (LaSalle)  
Chris Hales (Lakeshore)  
John Innis (Woodstock)  
Frank Kennes (Strathroy)  
Steve Pfaff (London)  
Rev. Al Dufrainmont (Delhi)  
Tim Firth (London)  
Rodger Luxton (Chatham)

## Statistics

Baptisms	First Communion	Confirmations	Marriages	Funerals
2,728 in 2019	2,976 in 2019	2,766 in 2019	445 in 2019	1,950 in 2019
2,020 in 2020	2,251 in 2020	2,030 in 2020	253 in 2020	1,884 in 2020
				



# Financial Report - Parish Operating Results

(Excluding Capital Donations and Building Projects)

Calendar Year 2019

Calendar Year 2020

Parish Name	Municipality	Revenues	Costs	Surplus (Deficit)	Revenues	Costs	Surplus (Deficit)	Savings (Loan) *
St. John the Baptist	Amherstburg	595,701	552,414	43,287	429,980	400,891	29,089	224,642
Our Lady of Sorrows	Aylmer	213,837	167,241	46,596	179,826	133,876	45,950	135,626
Sts. Simon and Jude	Belle River	676,792	700,364	(23,572)	458,758	483,999	(25,241)	192,048
St. Mary	Blenheim	240,619	236,085	4,534	173,261	190,349	(17,088)	(29,816)
St. Michael	Bright's Grove	317,504	282,907	34,597	278,719	225,376	53,343	415,081
St. Ambrose	Brussels	77,007	68,591	8,416	56,860	47,842	9,018	115
Blessed Sacrament	Chatham	415,497	397,044	18,453	389,948	311,826	78,122	102,681
Our Lady of Victory	Chatham	107,782	106,040	1,742	62,948	75,009	(12,061)	57,466
St. Agnes	Chatham	264,360	324,810	(60,450)	303,463	322,617	(19,154)	72,865
St. Joseph	Chatham	396,290	439,105	(42,815)	331,637	355,432	(23,795)	487,492
St. Ursula	Chatham	310,524	284,479	26,045	273,502	249,017	24,485	346,155
Visitation	Comber	445,969	389,339	56,630	329,672	338,333	(8,661)	(1,542,000)
St. Joseph	Corunna	227,428	221,902	5,526	194,130	187,427	6,703	100,849
Sacred Heart	Delaware	132,600	138,906	(6,306)	89,922	117,882	(27,960)	540,585
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	Delhi	308,694	300,397	8,297	287,186	232,146	55,040	629,803
St. Casimir	Delhi	9,670	9,549	121	7,597	4,440	3,157	121,125
St. Patrick	Dublin	145,252	132,055	13,197	138,426	121,203	17,223	165,736
Holy Name of Jesus	Essex	526,862	462,495	64,367	408,825	336,145	72,680	227,249
Precious Blood	Exeter	123,230	126,535	(3,305)	114,776	117,313	(2,537)	502,418
St. Christopher	Forest	201,292	176,776	24,516	162,807	144,033	18,774	(24,000)
St. Charles Garnier	Glencoe	110,084	95,082	15,002	94,873	104,587	(9,714)	62,420
St. Peter	Goderich	293,561	292,133	1,428	232,717	236,012	(3,295)	284,269
Immaculate Heart of Mary	Grand Bend	110,935	101,867	9,068	87,380	97,471	(10,091)	547,022
St. Anthony of Padua	Harrow	162,555	183,554	(20,999)	120,154	123,312	(3,158)	49,928
Sacred Heart	Ingersoll	278,727	272,880	5,847	284,454	220,829	63,625	521,691
St. John de Brebeuf & Companions	Kingsville	216,445	222,348	(5,903)	199,360	176,505	22,855	816,239
St. Patrick	Kinkora	174,563	150,578	23,985	151,527	126,411	25,116	138,284
Good Shepherd	Lakeshore	854,442	820,973	33,469	760,108	694,538	65,570	(2,006,647)
Sacred Heart	Langton	226,477	240,815	(14,338)	192,281	196,357	(4,076)	330,246
Sacred Heart	LaSalle	446,032	409,334	36,698	351,073	311,822	39,251	101,871
St. Paul	LaSalle	244,419	241,270	3,149	185,404	226,305	(40,901)	128,618
St. Michael	Leamington	794,738	711,337	83,401	694,454	638,337	56,117	(316,841)
St. Joseph	Listowel	207,102	135,830	71,272	138,667	125,745	12,922	11,411
Holy Cross	London	378,721	330,208	48,513	254,837	193,534	61,303	(424,870)
Holy Family	London	1,159,903	1,131,015	28,888	1,058,395	1,046,018	12,377	222,825
Mary Immaculate	London	494,283	482,028	12,255	464,975	426,103	38,872	150,643
Our Lady of Czestochowa	London	454,007	486,334	(32,327)	363,336	391,842	(28,506)	818,536
Our Lady of the Holy Rosary	London	15,769	15,929	(160)	11,345	11,046	299	0
Our Lady of Siluva	London	5,200	4,307	893	3,395	1,536	1,859	0
St. Andrew Kim	London	255,380	172,114	83,266	158,791	137,968	20,823	(314,947)
St. Andrew the Apostle	London	284,458	276,834	7,624	279,932	261,990	17,942	72,152
St. Francis - St. Martin	London	338,105	296,180	41,925	305,975	268,111	37,864	65,204
St. George	London	919,554	810,299	109,255	927,126	681,009	246,117	1,062,550
St. John the Divine	London	425,775	453,428	(27,653)	410,457	383,910	26,547	(359,117)
St. Josephine Bakhita	London	2,118	2,779	(661)	923	355	568	0
St. Justin	London	656,620	561,644	94,976	514,634	484,213	30,421	144,708
St. Leopold Mandic	London	194,919	166,114	28,805	117,682	121,455	(3,773)	512,746
St. Mary	London	316,409	310,059	6,350	307,222	280,364	26,858	648,517
St. Michael	London	880,231	887,155	(6,924)	879,545	819,957	59,588	94,291
St. Patrick	London	320,331	332,358	(12,027)	246,061	247,731	(1,670)	186,305
St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica	London	1,363,807	1,289,069	74,738	1,058,366	1,001,340	57,026	13,199
St. Stephen of Hungary	London	23,472	23,617	(145)	5,289	4,025	1,264	3,565
Ste. Marguerite D'Youville	London	54,399	50,586	3,813	41,612	44,019	(2,407)	73,714
St. Patrick	Lucan	204,079	221,943	(17,864)	226,710	185,709	41,001	224,088
St. Mary	Maidstone	188,506	202,482	(13,976)	129,654	130,664	(1,010)	536,217
St. Clement	McGregor	193,349	191,971	1,378	169,615	136,148	33,467	1,774
St. Vincent de Paul	Mitchell	126,859	115,895	10,964	113,282	98,744	14,538	190,009
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Mount Carmel	137,418	127,504	9,914	125,093	121,483	3,610	203,463
Immaculée Conception	Pain Court	220,152	222,378	(2,226)	213,362	216,555	(3,193)	257,058
Sacred Heart	Parkhill	145,265	131,184	14,081	112,346	99,890	12,456	387,787



# Financial Report - Parish Operating Results

(Excluding Capital Donations and Building Projects)

Calendar Year 2019

Calendar Year 2020

Parish Name	Municipality	Revenues	Costs	Surplus (Deficit)	Revenues	Costs	Surplus (Deficit)	Savings (Loan) *
Star of the Sea	Pelee Island	6,126	6,206	(80)	4,654	8,120	(3,466)	62,066
St. Philip	Petrolia	221,907	204,668	17,239	181,676	165,982	15,694	377,116
St. Cecilia	Port Dover	158,449	145,867	12,582	140,033	117,329	22,704	(23,056)
St. Michael	Ridgetown	163,342	169,589	(6,247)	146,418	133,625	12,793	19,601
St. Joseph	River Canard	518,583	463,482	55,101	426,366	367,870	58,496	(219,469)
Our Lady of Mercy	Samia	410,615	408,927	1,688	380,380	364,577	15,803	(29,174)
Paroisse St-Thomas D'Aquin	Samia	178,969	194,593	(15,624)	165,010	158,463	6,547	38,975
Queen of Peace	Samia	143,972	126,315	17,657	130,443	114,249	16,194	57,787
Sacred Heart	Samia	505,145	489,057	16,088	446,662	381,922	64,740	427,985
St. Benedict	Samia	450,555	453,167	(2,612)	337,295	322,299	14,996	366,212
St. James	Seaforth	177,280	178,272	(992)	148,614	134,286	14,328	35,432
St. Mary	Simcoe	407,511	372,413	35,098	286,454	236,208	50,246	617,968
St. Peter	St. Joseph	86,496	88,170	(1,674)	86,199	88,151	(1,952)	63,747
Holy Name of Mary	St. Mary's	206,074	201,824	4,250	172,423	156,418	16,005	29,812
Holy Angels	St. Thomas	435,560	411,136	24,424	410,497	299,826	110,671	(957,135)
St. Anne	St. Thomas	689,824	694,448	(4,624)	495,079	399,127	95,952	324,990
Immaculate Conception	Stratford	231,392	237,673	(6,281)	189,978	190,665	(687)	289,014
St. Joseph	Stratford	693,870	671,300	22,570	599,906	476,829	123,077	0
All Saints	Strathroy	651,568	596,518	55,050	507,689	436,386	71,303	182,652
Ste. Anne	Tecumseh	792,765	799,820	(7,055)	731,429	690,252	41,177	(325,547)
St. Paul	Thamesville	45,009	63,724	(18,715)	65,289	93,245	(27,956)	314,155
St. Francis Xavier	Tilbury	259,244	342,465	(83,221)	229,374	254,528	(25,154)	(44,088)
St. Peter Parish	Tilbury	92,451	87,522	4,929	67,066	76,368	(9,302)	336
St. Mary	Tillsonburg	468,089	462,966	5,123	403,005	386,950	16,055	229,295
Kent Lambton Family	Wallaceburg/Port Lambton	785,762	731,625	54,137	748,304	529,143	219,161	739,557
St. Bernard of Clairvaux	Waterford	165,769	152,465	13,304	139,801	114,171	25,630	33,381
Our Lady Help of Christians	Watford	137,433	135,755	1,678	110,208	102,268	7,940	41,160
St. Mary	West Lome	182,493	175,486	7,007	161,524	130,602	30,922	131,224
Assumption	Windsor	850,410	757,941	92,469	550,593	641,163	(90,570)	585,118
Corpus Christi	Windsor	650,860	623,259	27,601	551,245	468,374	82,871	(742,791)
Holy Trinity	Windsor	366,695	313,082	53,613	266,566	243,819	22,747	667,354
Immaculate Heart	Windsor	178,982	237,966	(58,984)	205,914	208,974	(3,060)	87,833
Most Precious Blood	Windsor	448,750	432,742	16,008	323,872	300,862	23,010	325,636
Our Lady of Guadalupe	Windsor	425,621	409,606	16,015	403,373	314,902	88,471	(869,208)
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel	Windsor	741,652	679,958	61,694	656,209	489,199	167,010	609,504
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Windsor	278,265	248,710	29,555	231,770	226,318	5,452	140,473
Our Lady of the Atonement	Windsor	460,403	440,174	20,229	386,132	320,232	65,900	358,196
Paroisse St-Jerome	Windsor	161,268	168,761	(7,493)	154,047	160,307	(6,260)	58,642
San Juan Diego of Guadalupe	Windsor	31,532	22,742	8,790	23,015	15,640	7,375	58,032
St. Alphonsus	Windsor	309,497	317,052	(7,555)	237,121	252,622	(15,501)	469,771
St. Angela Merici	Windsor	467,608	599,675	(132,067)	289,089	436,911	(147,822)	(1,485,339)
St. Anthony of Padua	Windsor	34,557	34,578	(21)	9,370	16,406	(7,036)	286,056
St. Daniel Comboni	Windsor	5,678	10	5,668	2,136	2,902	(766)	0
St. Francis of Assisi	Windsor	624,687	463,739	160,948	409,231	309,518	99,713	50,743
St. John Vianney	Windsor	472,424	432,369	40,055	346,209	333,185	13,024	268,099
St. Michael	Windsor	39,125	49,397	(10,272)	27,424	33,549	(6,125)	28,827
St. Philippe & St. Anne	Windsor	156,042	133,672	22,370	104,583	88,047	16,536	109,310
St. Theresa	Windsor	138,830	157,354	(18,524)	92,702	118,251	(25,549)	(2,982)
St. Vincent De Paul	Windsor	130,470	120,117	10,353	77,177	101,274	(24,097)	113,653
Sts. Cyril & Methodius	Windsor	79,342	69,304	10,038	48,638	46,392	2,246	273,911
Sacred Heart	Wingham	121,235	111,296	9,939	99,272	115,588	(16,316)	0
St. John the Evangelist	Woodslee	198,971	174,795	24,176	140,234	125,755	14,479	114,279
Holy Cross	Woodstock	93,990	66,040	27,950	79,894	60,049	19,845	55,294
Holy Trinity	Woodstock	635,764	638,569	(2,805)	526,030	501,708	24,322	(65,387)
St. Boniface	Zurich	145,545	138,364	7,181	139,336	133,221	6,115	160,790

\* Savings or loan with the Diocese of London Parish Deposit and Loan Fund. Balance does not include bank accounts of the parish.

This schedule excludes London Latin Mass and St. Benedict Tridentine

# Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate

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On November 13, 2021, with thanks to God, the Diocese of London was able to celebrate the ordination of six men to the Permanent Diaconate. The celebration was presided over by Bishop Fabbro with Auxiliary Bishop Dabrowski, several priests, deacons and families in attendance.

It was like many occasions, joyous, solemn and spiritual.

We offer our most heartfelt thanks to these men who have chosen to devote themselves to their faith and be of service to their communities.





Please welcome, and keep in your prayers, our new deacons:

- Deacon Dan Bianchi, Windsor—Lake St. Clair Catholic Family of Parishes
- Deacon Ian Brennan, St. Patrick, Lucan, and Springbank Catholic Family of Parishes
- Deacon Bryan Chevalier, Central Essex County Catholic Family of Parishes
- Deacon Dave Kraemer, Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes
- Deacon Daniel McPhee, Perth Huron Crossroads Family of Parishes
- Deacon Dan O'Connor, Elgin Roman Catholic Family of Parishes



L to R: Deacon Kraemer, Deacon Chevalier, Deacon Brennan, Deacon O'Connor, Deacon Bianchi, Deacon McPhee



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